

**BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY
MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Date: September 19, 2012
Meeting Location: Central Conference Room, State of Maine - Gardiner Annex,
Northern Avenue, Gardiner, Maine
Time Meeting Began: 9:00 a.m.
Time Meeting Ended: 12:35 p.m.
Total Meeting Time: 3 hours 35 minutes

Roll Call of Officers:

The following members were present:

Peter Chandler
Michael Nickerson
Tracy Harding
Brian Perkins
Geoffrey Gattis

Staff Present:

Robert Perkins, Assistant Attorney General
Catherine Carroll, Administrator
Jenny Dalbeck, Board Clerk

Chair Peter Chandler called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made to accept the June 28, 2012 minutes as written.

Motion: Michael Nickerson
Second: Tracy Harding
Abstained: Brian Perkins, Geoffrey Gattis
Motion Carried

Adjudicatory Hearing

Michael Kelly – 2012-ACC-8565 – A motion was made to uphold the license denial.

Motion: Tracy Harding
Second: Brian Perkins
Unanimous

Review of Decision and Order

Natalie Solotoff – 2011-ACC-7809 – A motion was made to approve the Decision and Order.

Motion: Tracy Harding
Second: Michael Nickerson
Abstained: Peter Chandler, Brian Perkins, Geoffrey Gattis
Motion Carried

Mark Akerberg – 2011-ACC-7032 – A motion was made to approve the Decision and Order.

Motion: Michael Nickerson
Second: Tracy Harding
Abstained: Brian Perkins, Geoffrey Gattis
Motion Carried

Review of Decision-Disciplinary Action

Valerie Alex – 2011-ACC-7872 – A motion was made to approve the Decision-Disciplinary Action.

Motion: Tracy Harding
Second: Michael Nickerson
Abstained: Brian Perkins, Geoffrey Gattis
Motion Carried

Review of Consent Agreement

Peter Phelps – 2011-ACC-7031 – A motion was made to approve the Consent Agreement.

Motion: Michael Nickerson
Second: Brian Perkins
Unanimous

Discussion with Dan Dustin, NASBA, Vice President, State Board Relations

Mr. Dustin spoke about his new position at NASBA, the Accountancy Library, CPAverify, various boards throughout the U.S. and how they have the same issues as the Maine Board. He also discussed Peer Reviews and how NASBA may be able to help with issues involving them.

Rulemaking Discussion Concerning Education and Experience Requirements

The Board discussed the rulemaking proposal outlined in Board member Tracy Harding's email dated July 12, 2012. Mr. Harding suggested that the education and experience requirements contained in Chapter 6, Sections 3 and 4 of the Board's rules be amended to more closely conform to the NASBA Uniform Accountancy Act Model Rules. The board discussed Mr. Harding's initial draft and supporting materials. After discussion, the board requested OPOR staff attorney Jeffrey Frankel to prepare draft rule amendments for further consideration.

Other Business

Discussion concerning CPA applicant who works for the Maine Department of Audit

Assistant Attorney General Robert Perkins will seek clarification on what the Maine Department of Audit does in relation to the applicant's application for a CPA license.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:35 a.m.

Respectively submitted,

Jenny Dalbeck
Board Clerk